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RESPONSE

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Sir:

The following remarks are submitted in response to the March 23, 2004 official action.

The Examiner rejected claims 1 and 7-9 under 35 U. S. C. § 112, second

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paragraph. The Examiner conceded that the specification was enabling for the compound,
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but took the position that the specification is not enabling for pharmaceutically acceptable

salts or prodrugs thereof. In support of her position, the Examiner cited <u>In re Wands</u>. As the Examiner has separately analyzed the specification against each point enumerated in <u>In re Wands</u>, Applicant has similarly considered each point and comments as set forth below.

1. The nature of the invention is fundamentally the novel compounds I and II of claim 1. Pharmaceutical compositions of those novel compounds and pharmaceutically acceptable salts and prodrugs thereof are included in claim 1.

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2004 official action, to Deposit Account 10-0435 with reference to Applicant's undersigned counsel's file 31200-69244. A duplicate copy of this authorization is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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